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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE****IN RE APPLICATION OF****QIU ET AL.****APPLICATION NO: 10/654,566****FILED: SEPTEMBER 3, 2003****FOR: LBL-COATED MEDICAL DEVICE AND METHOD FOR MAKING SAME****EXAMINER:****ZACHARIA, RAMSEY E.****ART UNIT: 1773**

Commissioner for Patents  
Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450

**AMENDMENT A**

Dear Sir:

The Office Action dated August 6, 2004 from Examiner Ramsey E. Zacharia of Art Unit 1773 has been received and reviewed. The following is in response thereto.